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THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE (Case No. 05-042)

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In the Application of:)
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	Karl, Johann et al.) Before the Examiner:
) K. Padmanabhan
Serial No.: 09/720,006)
Filing Date: 12/19/2000) Art Unit: 1641
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	Multiepitope Analysis and by Combining)
	Antigen and Antibody Determination)

RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION OF DECEMBER 28, 2004

Mail Stop Amendment Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed December 28, 2004, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the application identified above in view of the following amendments and remarks.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on p. 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on p. 4 of this paper.